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State Historic Preservation Officer

March 3, 2016

Mr. Ron Tressler
Seattle City Light
PO Box 34023
Seattle, Washington 98124

RE: Ladder Creek Settling Tank Removal Project
FERC Project # 553
Log No.: 2016-03-01435-FERC

Dear Mr. Tressler;

Thank you for contacting our department. We have reviewed the materials you provided for the proposed Ladder Creek Settling Tank Removal Project in the North Cascades Ross Lake National Recreation Area, Whatcom County, Washington.

We concur with the proposed Area of Potential Effect (APE) as described in your letter and illustrated in the attached maps.

We look forward to further consultations as you consult with the concerned tribal governments, provide the results of your identification efforts, and render your determination of effect.

We would also request receiving any correspondence or comments from concerned tribes or other parties that you receive as you consult under the requirements of 36CFR800.4(a)(4).

These comments are based on the information available at the time of this review and on behalf of the State Historic Preservation Officer in compliance with the Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, and its implementing regulations 36CFR800.4.). Should additional information become available, our assessment may be revised.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment and we look forward to receiving the results of your consultation efforts, the professional archaeological survey report, and your Determination of Effect.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Rob Whitlam', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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